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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Operations, DD/P

SUBJECT : Emergency Destruction of Classified Files

REFERENCE : (1) "Eyes Only" Memorandum from Chief of Operations, DD/P to Chief, FI dated 19 March 1954
(2) Memorandum from Director of Security to Chief, FI dated 14 April 1954 entitled "Exhibition of Kit for Destruction of Files."

1. Subsequent to the demonstration referred to in Reference (2), representatives of interested offices held a meeting to discuss a suitable device for emergency destruction of classified material. It was decided that action should be taken to adopt the destruction kits demonstrated.

2. It is the opinion of this office that methods of destruction developed thus far have deficiencies which militate against their usefulness and leave much to be desired from a practical viewpoint.

3. It is believed that research and experimentation should continue in this field.

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Sheffield Edwards
Director of Security

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